

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0075  
AMCONSUL ALEXANDRIA

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DEPT PASS AID AND USDA/OGSM

AMCONSUL PORT SAID SENDS

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EAGR EAID EG  
SUBJECT: PL-480 WHEAT UNLOADING PORT SAID-STATUS REPORT

1. ON JUNE 7, AFTER FOURTEEN DAYS OFFLOADING DIAMANTES PATERAS CARRYING 55,747MT WHEAT FROM U.S. GULF, MARINE SHIPPING CORP. (MSC) HAD DISCHARGED 47,630MT AT AVERAGE RATE 3,402MT/DAY. TRUCKS CARRIED AWAY 29,223MT AT AVERAGE RATE 2,087MT/DAY, LEAVING SHORE ACCUMULATION OF 18,407MT.

2. MSC WAS REQUESTED BY MINISTRY SUPPLY TO MAINTAIN AVERAGE OF OVER 3,000 MT/DAY DISCHARGE BECAUSE OF ANTICIPATED ARRIVAL STRATHEARN, CARRYING 47,000MT WHEAT FROM PHILADELPHIA/NORFOLK ON/ABOUT JUNE 12 (THOUGH MSC SAYS STRATHEARN MAY NOW BE DELAYED A FEW DAYS). MSC EXPECTS FINISH DIAMANTES PATERAS ON JUNE 11. ANOTHER LARGE VESSEL, CARRYING APPROX 50,000MT FROM EAST COAST USA, IS EXPECTED ARRIVE END OF JUNE. THEREFORE, MSC WILL NEED TO MAINTAIN 3000-3500MT/DAY AVERAGE TO AVOID CAUSING THESE VESSELS TO DELAY. DEMURRAGE ALREADY INCURRED DUE TO CONGESTION IN USA.

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3. UNLESS TRUCKING-OUT STEPS UP, AT SOME NEAR POINT PILE ON SHORE WILL REACH MAXIMUM AND MSC WILL HAVE TO SLOW DOWN TO CONFORM RATE OF DISCHARGE TO RATE OF TRUCKING.

4. COMMENT: ONCE AGAIN PROBLEM WITH WHEAT UNLOADING IS INABILITY OF GOE MINISTRIES TO MAKE SUFFICIENT TRUCKS

AVAILABLE TO MOVE WHEAT OUT OF DOCKS. AMBASSADOR HAS  
APPOINTMENT WITH NEW MINISTER OF TRADE JUNE 12, AND  
WILL BRIEF HIM ON PROBLEM AND ASK HIM TO INTERCEDE  
TO ASSURE ADEQUATE NUMBER OF TRUCKS TO MOVE WHEAT OUT  
OF PORT SAID. IN MEANTIME EMBASSY IS IN TOUCH WITH  
LOWER LEVEL OFFICIALS TO TRY TO GET THEM TO ASSIGN  
MORE TRUCKS. EILTS

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